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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

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Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98 and to the duty of disclosure set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, the Examiner in charge of the above-identified application is requested to consider and make of record the references listed on the PTO/SB/08a(and/or PTO/SB/08b) form submitted herewith. A copy of each reference listed on the PTO/SB/08a(and/or PTO/SB/08b), other than U.S. patents, is enclosed.

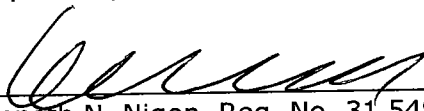
Although the information submitted herewith may be "material" to the Examiner's consideration of the subject application, this submission is not intended to constitute an admission that such information is "prior art" as to the claimed invention.

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(g), the filing of this Information Disclosure Statement shall not be construed to mean that a search has been made.

References JP 08-13229 and WO 02/11194 are not in the English language, but an English abstract thereof is attached to the copy of the reference submitted herewith. It is noted that Japanese Application No. 2002-25949 is equivalent to WO 02/11194.

This Information Disclosure Statement is being filed within three months of the filing date of the above-referenced application or before mailing of the first Official Action on the merits. No first Official Action on the merits has yet been received and it is presumed that none has yet been mailed. No fee or statement is required. 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b).

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(3) References
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